

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Tom Berry, on April 8, 2015 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)
Rep. Mike Lang (R)
Rep. David (Doc) Moore (R)
Rep. Mark Noland (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Tom Richmond (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Tom Steenberg (D)
Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Tom Berry, Chair (R)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 193, 4/1/2015; SB 398, 4/1/2015; SB 401, 4/1/2015; SB 414, 4/1/2015

00:00:02 Vice Chair Salomon chaired the meeting in Chairman Berry's absence.

HEARING ON SB 398

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:38 Sen. Jim Keane (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB 398, Revise workers' compensation dividend payment laws.

EXHIBIT(buh70a01)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: Nancy Butler, Montana State Fund (MSF)

EXHIBIT(buh70a02)

00:12:32 Rep. Berry arrived.

00:20:57 Rep. Greg Hertz, HD 12

00:22:59 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana, Montana Logging Association

EXHIBIT(buh70a03)

00:29:15 Glenn Oppel, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)

00:31:33 Riley Johnson, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)

00:33:19 Bob Biskupiak, Independent Insurance Agents Association of Montana, Inc.

00:35:17 Bob Worthington, Montana Self Insurers Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:36:27 Rep. Noland

00:37:26 Nancy Butler, MSF

00:39:56 Rep. Olsen

00:42:41 Rep. Berry

00:42:05 Rep. Salomon

00:42:29 Sen. Keane

00:43:48 Rep. Lang

00:44:21 Sen. Keane

00:45:07 Rep. Pope

00:45:48 Nancy Butler, MSF

00:46:01 Rep. Pope

00:47:06 Rep. Staffanson

00:47:27 Nancy Butler, MSF

00:48:11 Rep. Staffanson

00:48:39 Spook Stang, MCM

00:49:32 Rep. Staffanson

00:49:46 Spook Stang, MCM

Closing by Sponsor:

00:50:45 Sen. Keane

00:53:03 Chairman Berry resumed as chair.

HEARING ON SB 401

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:53:35 Sen. Mary Caferro (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 401, Generally revise pro-boxing laws.

[EXHIBIT\(buh70a04\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:58:39 Duran Caferro Sr., boxing coach, Self

[EXHIBIT\(buh70a05\)](#)

01:02:09 Joe Diaz, Self

[EXHIBIT\(buh70a06\)](#)

01:12:11 David Otis, professional boxer, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:15:52 Judy Bovington, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:15:58 Rep. Curdy

01:16:39 Sen. Caferro

01:17:37 Vice Chair Salomon

01:17:40 Sen. Caferro

01:17:48 Rep. Pierson arrived. .

01:18:30 Rep. Noland

01:18:54 Sen. Caferro

Closing by Sponsor:

01:19:23 Sen. Caferro

HEARING ON SB 414

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:20:18 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 414, Create seasonal employer and employee designation for unemployment insurance.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:23:27 Glenn Oppel, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)

01:25:11 Riley Johnson, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)

01:25:51 Stuart Doggett, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association (MLHA)

01:26:35 Aimee Grmoljez, Montana Ski Area Association

01:27:46 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association

[EXHIBIT\(buh70a07\)](#)

01:27:59 Ed Bartlett, Billings Area and Bozeman Area Chambers of Commerce

Opponents' Testimony:

01:31:59 Chris Cavazos, Montana American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
 01:33:25 Keith Allen, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 233 (IBEW)
 01:39:16 John Forkan, Montana State Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters; Montana State Building Trades; Teamsters Local #2
 01:40:49 Dan Flynn, IBEW Local 44

Informational Testimony:

01:42:35 Brenda Nordlund, Unemployment Division, Department of Labor and Industry (DLII)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

01:43:08 Sen. Buttrey
 01:43:18 Rep. Fitzpatrick arrived.
 01:47:14 Recess.
 02:13:20 Reconvened.

HEARING ON SB 193

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:13:27 Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 193, Revise agency liquor store laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:18:06 Sen. Ed Buttrey
 02:20:26 Jennifer Hensley, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana

EXHIBIT(buh70a08)

EXHIBIT(buh70a09)

02:28:00 Charlie Brown, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana
 02:30:29 Tracy Prescott, President, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana
 02:31:45 Joel Silverman, Attorney, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana
 02:36:40 John Iverson, Montana Tavern Association (MTA)
 02:37:08 Janet Prescott, Secretary, Montana Tavern Association
 02:38:35 Shawn Brown, Great Falls Liquor Store #140, Self
 02:38:53 Richard Kramer, Polson Liquor Store, Self
 02:39:27 Brent Stoos, East Helena Liquor Store #83, Self
 02:39:45 Penny Kyes, Libby Liquor Store #6, Self
 02:40:32 Christina Riffle, Executive Secretary, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana; Liquor Stores in Shelby, Conrad, Choteau, Evergreen
 02:41:25 Evan Ask, Statewide Liquor, Laurel
 02:41:55 Chad Ouellette, Big Sky Liquor Store #190
 02:42:24 Lana Walker, Whitefish Liquor Store #64

Opponents' Testimony:

02:42:58 Lee Paffhausen, Lolo Liquor Store

02:47:59 William McCarthy, Attorney, Wordan Thane, Missoula

EXHIBIT(buh70a10)

Informational Testimony:

03:00:57 Shauna Helfert, Administrator, Liquor Control Division, Department of Revenue
(DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

03:01:25 Rep. Olsen

03:01:44 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:02:10 Rep. Noland

03:02:45 Sen. Tutvedt

03:03:18 Rep. Lynch

03:03:49 Sen. Tutvedt

03:04:05 Rep. Lynch

03:04:50 Sen. Tutvedt

03:05:44 Rep. Ricci

03:06:09 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:06:23 Rep. Ricci

03:06:27 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:06:35: Rep. Ricci

03:06:51 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:07:03 Rep. Ricci

03:07:08 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:07:22 Rep. Noland

03:08:18 Lee Paffhausen, Self

03:08:42 Rep. Noland

03:08:58 Sen. Tutvedt

03:10:27 Rep. Lynch

03:10:50 Shauna Helfert, DLI

03:12:00 Rep. Lynch

03:12:14 Sen. Tutvedt

Closing by Sponsor:

03:12:40 Sen. Tutvedt

03:14:07 Chairman Berry

Motion: Rep. Berry moved that **SB 666 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion: Blah, blah, blah.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:14:39

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh70aad.pdf](#))